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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/740,694
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Title: Method and Compositions for Identifying Anti-HIV
Therapeutic Compounds
Applicants: Murty N. ARIMILLI *et al.*
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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
2. a Response; and
3. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the \$120 extension of time fee for a one-month extension of time be charged to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 18477.031.

In the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees are required in the present application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 18477.031. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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